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management, project evaluation,credit risk, and portfolio management. Offers an updated edition of the bestselling book covering thenewest version of Oracle Crystal Ball Contains valuable insights on Monte Carlo simulation—anessential skill applied by many corporate finance and investmentprofessionals Written by John Charnes, the former finance department chair atthe University of Kansas and senior vice president of globalportfolio strategies at Bank of America, who is currently Presidentand Chief Data Scientist at Syntelli Solutions, Inc. Risk Analyticsand Predictive Intelligence Division (Syntelli RAPID) Engaging and informative, this book is a vital resource designedto help you become more adept at financial modeling andsimulation. Using Microsoft Excel, the market leading spreadsheet package, this book combines theory with modelling aspects and spreadsheet analysis. Microeconomics Using Excel provides students with the tools with which to better understand microeconomic analysis. It focuses on solving microeconomic problems by integrating economic theory, policy analysis and spreadsheet modelling. This unique approach facilitates a more comprehensive understanding of the link between theory and problem solving. It is divided into four core parts: analysis of price policies analysis of structural policies multi-market models budget policy and priority settings. The theory behind each problem is explained and each model is solved using excel. Each model is also available online and can be used as a prototype for analysis and specific needs. Microeconomics using Excel will be of great interest to students studying economics as

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appendix, which has been developed and mapped to meet all essential requirements of assessment. An end-of-chapter developing case study task provides students with practical tasks and activities that build on the concepts covered in previous chapters, enabling a scaffolded approach to the application, and holistic understanding of preparing operational budgets using a realistic case study business scenario. Contains the proceedings of the 12th- annual meeting of the Japan Neurosurgical Society PMP® Certification: Excel with Ease is a self-study guide and is essential to all Project Management Professional® aspirants to clear the certification examination. The book is based on A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide), fifth edition, which presents a set of standard terminology and guidelines for project management. This book constitutes the proceedings of the 24th European Symposium on Programming, ESOP 2015, which took place in London, UK, in April 2015, held as Part of the European Joint Conferences on Theory and Practice of Software, ETAPS 2015. The 33 papers presented in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 113 submissions. A practical guide to computer usage for owners of small businesses, relating to Microsoft Office and Windows 95. The text offers worked examples from each of the applications including production, budgeting, human resources, and marketing and administration. Humberto Barreto gives professors a simple way to teach fundamental concepts for any undergraduate macroeconomics course using Microsoft Excel® with Excel workbooks and add-ins and videos freely available on his university website. The

Excel files are designed to be used by students with any textbook, and have been used many times by the author in his own teaching. Each Excel workbook contains links to short screencasts, around five to ten minutes, that show the cursor and typing as the file is manipulated with narration that walks the student through the steps needed to complete a task. The book shows professors a simple way to present macroeconomic models and incorporate data into their courses. This book offers a variety of strategies and tactics that financial institutions can employ to manage their exposure to this significant business risk. It is the first book to comprehensively address the many problems caused by the widespread and naïve use of spreadsheets in organisations. The book explores the notion that users do not take into account that through their use of a spreadsheet to solve a problem, they are deploying a complex software application. Technology can be faulty, but also spreadsheets are used, misused, abused and through the non-adoption of any of the disciplines of software engineering. The apparently simple task of creating a spreadsheet, for example, to calculate the cost of building a garden wall will be frequently performed incorrectly unless independent and comprehensive testing has taken place. Given that most financial spreadsheets are significantly more complex than this, it is essential that spreadsheet users come to understand how careful they must be in reaching decisions that are supported by spreadsheet models. The purpose of the book is to lay bare the various risks of using spreadsheets, supported by a comprehensive summary of the well-established academic and commercial research on the subject. The book

will include some simple exercises for the reader to perform which will support the truth of the research being reported. The book outlines a set of strategies and tactics which can be put in place to control the risks of using spreadsheets, and introduces the emerging discipline of spreadsheet engineering. It considers technological solutions to spreadsheet risk, looking also at the alternatives to using spreadsheets. Table of Contents Preface Introduction Part I Spreadsheet Risks The Cell Error Rate . The Spreadsheet Error Rate The Impact of Errors Types of Error The Ubiquity of Spreadsheets The Ubiquity of Spreadsheet Error Human Aspects Overconfidence Interpretation Fraud Employee Migration Machine Aspects Legal Aspects Companies Acts Sarbanes Oxley Civil, Criminal & Medical Negligence Other Regulation The subversion of control Documentation Archiving and Backup Part II Remediating the Risks Assessing the problem Determining Importance & Criticality . Identifying Spreadsheets to test Testing & Correcting Spreadsheets Maintaining System Integrity The Challenges of Organisational Spreadsheet Remediation Part III Spreadsheet Engineering The Software Development Lifecycle The Eight Principles of Spreadsheet Engineering Designing, Building and Testing Better Spreadsheets Spreadsheet Use, Maintenance, Backup, Archival and Disposal Promulgating Spreadsheet Engineering Part IV Spreadsheet Alternatives A History of Alternatives Commercial Alternatives Alternative Architecture Research Part V Summary & Conclusion Appendix A Exercise Solutions: Garden Wall Exercise Solution Balloon and Basket Exercise Solution Other exercises Chapter Notes

References Bibliography Index Exceptional managers know that they can create competitive advantages by basing decisions on performance response under alternative scenarios. To create these advantages, managers need to understand how to use statistics to provide information on performance response under alternative scenarios. Statistics are created to make better decisions. Statistics are essential and relevant. Statistics must be easily and quickly produced using widely available software, Excel. Then results must be translated into general business language and illustrated with compelling graphics to make them understandable and usable by decision makers. This book helps students master this process of using statistics to create competitive advantages as decision makers. Statistics are essential, relevant, easy to produce, easy to understand, valuable, and fun, when used to create competitive advantage. The Examples, Assignments, And Cases Used To Illustrate Statistics For Decision Making Come From Business Problems McIntire Corporate Sponsors and Partners, such as Rolls-Royce, Procter & Gamble, and Dell, and the industries that they do business in, provide many realistic examples. The book also features a number of examples of global business problems, including those from important emerging markets in China and India. It is exciting to see how statistics are used to improve decision making in real and important business decisions. This makes it easy to see how statistics can be used to create competitive advantages in similar applications in internships and careers. Learning Is Hands On With Excel and Shortcuts The MATLAB® programming environment is often perceived as a platform suitable for prototyping and modeling but not for

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Intelligence Division (Syntelli RAPID) Engaging and informative, this book is a vital resource designed to help you become more adept at financial modeling and simulation. 'News and Exchange Rate Dynamics' proposes an innovative taxonomy of news affecting exchange rates. It establishes a metrics for the impact on exchange rates movements. In doing so it provides the first results of an ongoing research activity on the economic, financial and non-financial determinants of infra daily fluctuations of exchange rates, whose ultimate goal is to explain the formation of market sentiment on one particular currency and the way it changes over time in response to the accumulation of new information. The authors provide a detailed description of the selection criteria of the news and how it impacts exchange rates. Contains a comprehensive summary of the entire course, activities, glossary of terms and a list of websites. SPREADSHEET APPLICATIONS IN CHEMISTRY USING MICROSOFT® EXCEL® Find step-by-step tutorials on scientific data processing in the latest versions of Microsoft® Excel® The Second Edition of Spreadsheet Applications in Chemistry Using Microsoft® Excel® delivers a comprehensive and up-to-date exploration of the application of scientific data processing in Microsoft® Excel®. Written to incorporate the latest updates and changes found in Excel® 2021, as well as later versions, this practical textbook is tutorial-focused and offers simple, step-by-step instructions for scientific data processing tasks commonly used by undergraduate students. Readers will also benefit from an online repository of experimental datasets that can be used to work through the tutorials to gain

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specialized information system. Scientific communication depends primarily on publishing in journals. The most important indicator to determine the influence of a journal is the Impact Factor. Since this factor only measures the average number of citations per article in a certain time window, it can be argued that it does not reflect the actual value of a periodical. This book defines five dimensions, which build a framework for a multidimensional method of journal evaluation. The author is winner of the Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Scholarship 2011. Over one hundred presentations from the thirty-fourth Charleston Library Conference (held November 5-8, 2014) are included in this annual proceedings volume. Major themes of the meeting included patron-driven acquisitions versus librarian-driven acquisitions; marketing library resources to faculty and students to increase use; measuring and demonstrating the library's role and impact in the retention of students and faculty; the desirability of textbook purchasing by the library; changes in workflows necessitated by the move to virtual collections; the importance of self-publishing and open access publishing as a collection strategy; the hybrid publisher and the hybrid author; the library's role in the collection of data, datasets, and data curation; and data-driven decision making. While the Charleston meeting remains a core one for acquisitions, serials, and collection development librarians in dialog with publishers and vendors, the breadth of coverage of this volume reflects the fact that the Charleston Conference is now one of the major venues for leaders in the information community to shape strategy and prepare for the future. Over 1,600 delegates

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understandable by a wide range of users with a wide range of abilities. It can be used as a textbook, an introductory primer or as a handbook that you can dip in and out of or read cover to cover." —Michael Lynch-Bell, Senior Advisor, Oil & Gas, Ernst & Young LLP; ex-officio Chairman, UN Expert Group on Resource Classification In the upstream petroleum industry, it is the value of post–tax cashflows which matters most to companies, governments, investors, lenders, analysts, and advisors. Calculating these cashflows and understanding their “behavior,” however, is challenging, as the industry’s specialized fiscal systems can be complex, jargon–laden, and sometimes seem to be a “world of their own”. Upstream Petroleum Fiscal and Valuation Modeling in Excel: A Worked Examples Approach demystifies fiscal analysis which, unlike disciplines such as Earth sciences and engineering, can be learned from a book. Written in plain English for laymen and for experienced practitioners alike, it is a reader–friendly, clear, practical, step–by–step hands–on guide for both reference and self–paced study. The book does not catalogue the 100+ different petroleum fiscal regimes in use at the time of writing. Rather, drawing on the authors’ combined 48 years’ experience, it takes a more timeless, generic treatment, by covering the most common variants of royalties, taxation, production sharing arrangements, bonuses and abandonment funding , through a dual approach: first, showing how to model them in Excel , and then providing interactive exercises to prompt (and answer) questions that analyze impacts on cashflows. In addition to the main text, the book consists of over 120 Excel files (ranging from modular examples to full models) in Excel 2007 and 2003

formats; over 400 pages of supplementary PDF files; VBA features to enhance model functionality; and an introduction to risk modeling with exercises for the included trial version of Oracle's Crystal Ball software. It offers both a wealth of content and models equal to or surpassing what is available from fiscal modeling courses costing several times more; and greater insights into underlying calculations than commercially available "black box" fiscal software. New US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rules planned for 2013 will force petroleum companies to disclose more fiscal information on an individual country basis. This will make it more important than ever for analysts to understand how to model oil and gas terms and the potential impacts of the disclosed government payments on future oil and gas company profitability. Due to the heavy use of graphics and cross references used in this particular text, some readers might find that the printed book offers a more optimal reading experience than certain e-formats particularly with the Kindle eMobi format. This book contains the papers presented at the XXX International Congress INGEGRAF, "Digital Engineering, its application in Research, Development and Innovation", held on 24–25 June 2021 in Valencia, Spain. The book reports on cutting-edge topics in product design and manufacturing, such as industrial methods for integrated product and process design; innovative design; and computer-aided design. Further topics covered include virtual simulation and reverse engineering; additive manufacturing; product manufacturing; engineering methods in medicine and education; representation techniques; and nautical, engineering and construction,

aeronautics and aerospace design and modeling. The book has six sections, reflecting the focus and primary themes of the conference. The contributions presented here will not only provide researchers, engineers, and experts in a range of industrial engineering subfields with extensive information to support their daily work; but also they are intended to stimulate new research directions, advanced applications of the methods discussed, and future interdisciplinary collaborations. Carbon moves through the atmosphere, through the oceans, onto land, and into ecosystems. This cycling has a large effect on climate – changing geographic patterns of rainfall and the frequency of extreme weather – and is altered as the use of fossil fuels adds carbon to the cycle. The dynamics of this global carbon cycling are largely predicted over broad spatial scales and long periods of time by Earth system models. This book addresses the crucial question of how to assess, evaluate, and estimate the potential impact of the additional carbon to the land carbon cycle. The contributors describe a set of new approaches to land carbon cycle modeling for better exploring ecological questions regarding changes in carbon cycling; employing data assimilation techniques for model improvement; and doing real- or near-time ecological forecasting for decision support. This book strives to balance theoretical considerations, technical details, and applications of ecosystem modeling for research, assessment, and crucial decision making. Key Features Helps readers understand, implement, and criticize land carbon cycle models Offers a new theoretical framework to understand transient dynamics of land carbon cycle Describes a suite of modeling skills –

matrix approach to represent land carbon, nitrogen, and phosphorus cycles; data assimilation and machine learning to improve parameterization; and workflow systems to facilitate ecological forecasting Introduces a new set of techniques, such as semi-analytic spin-up (SASU), unified diagnostic system with a 1-3-5 scheme, traceability analysis, and benchmark analysis, for model evaluation and improvement Related Titles Isabel Ferrera, ed. Climate Change and the Oceanic Carbon Cycle: Variables and Consequences (ISBN 978-1-774-63669-5) Lal, R. et al., eds. Soil Processes and the Carbon Cycle (ISBN 978-0-8493-7441-8) Windham-Myers, L., et al., eds. A Blue Carbon Primer: The State of Coastal Wetland Carbon Science, Practice and Policy (ISBN 978-0-367-89352-1) Written to address the growing demand for Lean Six Sigma expertise, this text provides a step-by-step Define-Measure-Analyze-Improve-Control (DMAIC) process, that describes how to use the tools appropriate for each phase and provide data where tools can be practiced by students. Applying Lean Six Sigma in Health Care trains students on performance improvement techniques and current terminology so that they will be prepared to conduct Lean Six Sigma projects in large health care systems and support the physicians and nurses running these projects. With a focus on application, students learn and utilize the DMAIC process, by applying it to an improvement project that is carried through the text. Improving Global Health is the third in a series of volumes-Patterns of Potential Human Progress-that uses the International Futures (IFs) simulation model to explore prospects for human development: how development appears to be unfolding globally and locally,

how we would like it to evolve, and how better to assure that we move it in desired directions. Earlier volumes addressed the reduction of global poverty and the advance of global education. Volume 3 sets out to tell a story of possible futures for the health of peoples across the world. Questions the volume addresses include: -What health outcomes might we expect given current patterns of human development? -What opportunities exist for intervention and the achievement of alternate health futures? -How might improved health futures affect broader economic, social, and political prospects of countries, regions, and the world? This book introduces the fundamental aspects of Radiation Protection in Medical Physics and covers three main themes: General Radiation Protection Principles; Radiobiology Principles; Radiation Protection in Hospital Medical Physics. Each of these topics is developed by analysing the underlying physics principles and their implementation, quality and safety aspects, clinical performance and recent advances in the field. Some issues specific to the individual techniques are also treated, e.g. calculation of patient dose as well as that of workers in hospital, optimisation of equipment used, shielding design of radiation facilities, radiation in oncology such as use of brachytherapy in gynecology or interventional procedures. All topics are presented with didactical language and style, making this book an appropriate reference for students and professionals seeking a comprehensive introduction to the field as well as a reliable overview of the most recent developments.